

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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COMPLAINTS AGAINST LPG AGENCIES IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of complaints registered against the LPG agencies in Tamil Nadu for various irregularities during the last three years, year-wise;
- (b) the action taken by the Government against such dealers; and;
- (c) the details of the LPG agencies suspended in Tamil Nadu so far on account of irregularities committed by the dealers during the said period ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies have reported about 50 established complaints against LPG distributors in Tamil Nadu during the last three years. Further, regular/ surprise inspections of LPG distributors are carried out by the field officers/vigilance officers of the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies and action against the distributorships on established complaints, is taken in terms of Distributorship Agreement/ Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG). During the period 1997-98 to 1999-2000, 5 LPG distributorships have been suspended by Indian Oil Corporation in Tamil Nadu. In rest of the cases, oil companies have taken appropriate action against the defaulting distributors in terms of MDG/Distributorship Agreement.